

# Press Release



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## **Research on partnerships for sport, development and HIV / AIDS in Zambia**

Researchers from three UK universities, York St John, Loughborough and Southampton, have published a research report which focuses on how sport can contribute to the ongoing efforts to fight HIV/AIDS within Zambia. Entitled, '*Partnerships involving sports-for-development NGOs and the fight against HIV / AIDS*', the research report examines the nature of partnerships involving non-governmental organisations (NGOs) that use sport as a tool for HIV/AIDS prevention in Zambia.

The report highlights some of the current strengths and challenges in the approaches to partnership between organisations involved in sport, development and HIV / AIDS in Zambia. As such, it is hoped that the report will contribute to the wider debate on the contribution of sport to addressing HIV / AIDS. The report proposes recommendations and conclusions to improve partnerships between a variety of international, national and local organisations operating in Zambia.

The research team worked closely with Zambia's National HIV/AIDS Council, the Ministry of Education and many key sporting stakeholders, and would have not been possible without the willingness of Zambian interviewees to share their views and insights.

The researchers would like to thank York St John University for funding the cluster between York St John University and the Institute of Youth Sport at Loughborough University.

The full report containing an executive summary can be read through the following link. <http://www.sportanddev.org/newsnviews/index.cfm>.